Kidarakuzhi Vernacular Primary School for Girls.

153. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the Kidarakuzhi Vernacular Primary School for Girls was started;

(*b*) whether they have been receiving applications from the people of that locality for raising the school to a Middle School;

(*c*) whether the school site and the school building belong to the Nadar Sangham and were entrusted temporarily to the Government by the Nadar Sangham;

(*d*) whether they are aware that this is the only Girls' School available at hand for the school-going girls of the surrounding places within a radius of about 6 miles; and

(*e*) whether they have been informed by the Nadar Sangham that the school might be given back to them with permission to open higher classes?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) On the 7th Edavam 1087.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The school site and building were handed over to the Government by a registered deed by the Secretary of the Keraleeya Nadar Samajam in the year 1092 for conducting the school as long as the school is held there.

(*d*) It is not the only Girls' School within a radius of six miles.

(*e*) Yes.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): In regard to the answer to part (*d*) may I know the names of the other schools which are within a radius of six miles?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Venganur St. Alosius School and Muloor aided school for girls. These are some of the schools which are within a radius of six miles.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): How far is each of these schools from the school in question?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Within six miles.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know the definite distance?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The member said that there are absolutely no schools within six miles. But the Inspector has given the names of these schools as being situated within six miles. I have not got information as to the exact distance now.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know whether any action has been taken in respect of the request of the Nadar Sangham?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes, it is under correspondence with the Director of Public Instruction.

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MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): No final decision arrived at?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): No.

Appointment of Headmasters in Vernacular Boys' Schools.

154. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there are any orders passed or instructions given by the Government or the Director of Public Instruction that in future with regard to promotions to Head Master's posts in Vernacular Boys' Schools, one from the Girls' School should be preferred even though there might be seniors to him in the Boys' School Department; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have under consideration the question of removing such a distinction?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) The answer is in the negative.

(*b*) In view of the answer to part (*a*) above, this question does not arise.

Kottukal Channel, Neyyattinkara.

155. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): In regard to the Kottukal channel, Neyyattinkara taluk, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the work done hitherto towards its construction;

(*b*) whether it is being continued;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, the stage at which it was stopped with the reasons for its suspension;

(*d*) the amount spent hitherto and the probable estimate for its completion;

(*e*) whether they are aware that the ryots are suffering hardship and loss owing to the non-completion of the same; and

(*f*) whether they have under consideration the question of its completion?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) It is reported that the work has been completed and the channel opened.

(*b*) and (*c*). These do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

(*d*) The total cost is estimated at Rs. 21,150.

(*e*) and (*f*). These also do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Opening of a Sub-Registrar's Office at Perumkadavila.

156. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representation or any complaint from the people of Perumkadavila, Neyyattinkara, urging the need for opening a Sub-Registrar's Cutcherry at Perumkadavila; and

(*b*) whether they propose to look into the matter?

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